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For: WAVELENGTH CONVERTING ELEMENT AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURE
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 13, 2004, please consider the remarks as submitted herewith on the accompanying pages.

REMARKS

Claims 1, 3, 4 and 10 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Mizuuchi *et al.* (U.S. Patent No. 5,652,674) ("Mizuuchi"; of record). Claims 5-8, 11-14 and 18-20 are allowed for the reasons set forth in the previous Office Action. Claims 15-17 and 21-26 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

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